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The Honorable Joseph P. Addabbo  
Chairman, Subcommittee on Defense  
Committee on Appropriations  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In accordance with our agreements with the Congress, this letter is to inform you that the Central Intelligence Agency has requested a release by the Office of Management and Budget [ ] from the Reserve for Contingencies to fund an enhanced Agency-wide counterterrorism program. [ ]

The President, his National Security Advisor, and the Secretary of State have all stressed the need to augment our efforts against terrorism. Under the direction of the Executive Director, the Agency directorates have combined to develop a plan to meet our responsibilities under NSDD #30. The [ ] Reserve release will provide for a strong start this year on a program to:

- Combine the CIA's counterterrorism analysis and operations elements into a colocated center [ ]
- Centralize and expand data processing files and equipment to better understand the dynamics of terrorism [ ]
- Increase electronic and human source collection against terrorist organizations [ ]
- Improve technical capability to defend against terrorist attacks.  
/ Includes the creation of quick reaction teams to respond to terrorist incidents [ ]
- Establish better interagency coordination to provide advanced warning of potential incidents and improve relations with friendly liaison services [ ]
- Increase Agency capability to carry out covert action against terrorist groups [ ]

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We plan to reprogram the needed funds to continue this program in 1983 and the Agency's 1984 budget request will contain initiatives needed to carry the program forward.

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I will be pleased to provide additional information at your request.

Sincerely,

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Director of Central Intelligence

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